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Attorney Docket No. STK-077

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

Applicants : Hermann Oppermann, et al.
Application No. : 09/374,936 Confirmation No. : 4340
Filed : August 16, 1999
For : MODIFIED PROTEINS AND DNAs OF THE TGF- β
SUPERFAMILY, INCLUDING MODIFIED
MORPHOGENIC PROTEINS
Group Art Unit : 1647
Examiner : J. Seharaseyon

New York, New York 10020
June 2, 2004

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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time to respond to the Examiner's Final Official Action dated January 2, 2004 and Advisory Action dated March 26, 2004. With the extension, a response is due on or before June 2, 2004. A check in the amount of \$420.00, in

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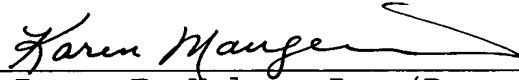
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payment of the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2),
is enclosed herewith.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge
payment of any additional extension fees required under
37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s)
transmitted herewith, or credit any overpayment of same,
to Deposit Account No. 06-1075. A duplicate copy of this
Petition is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,



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